



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

Key Information about Mississippi as of January 2019

| State Policies to Increase Access to and Information About Contraception* | Does State Have Law or Policy? |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Expand Medicaid to childless adults as the ACA allows | No |
| Medicaid Family Planning Waiver or State Plan Amendment (SPA) | Yes |
| Medicaid reimbursement for postpartum LARC | Yes |
| State law/policies that allow pharmacists to prescribe contraception | No |
| State law/policies to extend the supply of prescription contraceptives | No |
| State law/policies to educate college students about unplanned pregnancy | Yes |
| Other state laws/policies/initiatives to increase access to contraception | - |

| Funding Streams for Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy Prevention** | Current Annual Funding Level |
|---|------------------------------|
| Personal Responsibility Education Funding (PREP) ¹ | |
| State PREP (if state opted to receive formula grant) | \$469,166 |
| Competitive PREP grants awarded in the state (if state opted out) | - |
| Tribal PREP | - |
| Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS) | - |
| Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program ^{1,2} | \$2,624,772 |
| Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF) | \$1,606,939 |
| Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted to receive) | \$895,459 |
| Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program ³ | - |
| Title X Family Planning Program | \$4,102,000 |

| State Stats |
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| 64% births are funded by Medicaid, as of 2014 |
| See more state stats at https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/national-state-data/mississippi |

*For an overview of these state policies, see <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/resource-library/key-state-policies-glance>

** For an overview of federal funding for teen pregnancy prevention, see <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/resource-library/federal-funding-streams-at-a-glance>

¹ Evidence-based education programs

² This may include multi-state grants and/or grants awarded to an organization in another state that benefit youth in MS

³ Replaced the Competitive Abstinence Education Program beginning in FY 2016

FEDERAL TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION GRANTS⁴

State Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)

Mississippi State Department of Health

\$469,166

The Mississippi State Department of Health is using PREP funds to support evidence-based school and community-based interventions in over 30 school districts that have adopted an “abstinence-plus” education policy that addresses both abstinence and contraception (state law allows districts to choose between abstinence-plus or abstinence-only). The funds are targeted to high need areas, youth in the juvenile justice system, and summer camp participants.

Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Grant

Mississippi Department of Human Services

\$895,459

The Mississippi Department of Human Services administers the grant and sub-contracts the funds to the Mississippi Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs. Programming is provided through the Boys & Girls Clubs to youth age 10–17 and their parents across the state.

Competitive Abstinence Education Grant Program

FY 2014

SR1 (Scientific Research) - Ridgeland, MS

\$496,244 (to be spent through FY 2015)

Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 2

FY 2018 – FY 2019

Delta Health Alliance - Stoneville, MS

\$374,773

Delta Health Alliance will administer the Delta Futures II program with adolescents ages 16-19 in six rural counties in the Mississippi Delta region. More specifically, Delta Health Alliance will implement and evaluate the Pre-Conception Peer Educator model for pregnancy prevention and delay in partnership with local colleges, GED prep programs, and workforce development centers. The program recruits and trains youth who are not enrolled in public school to conduct outreach and education with their peers regarding pre-conception health, risk reduction, strategies for avoiding unplanned pregnancy, and long-term goal setting related to family planning. The program aims to promote healthy decision-making and to enhance protective factors for youth, with the goal of preventing adolescent pregnancies and reducing disparities among older adolescents in the Mississippi Delta region.

Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 1

FY 2015 – FY 2019

Delta Health Alliance - Stoneville, MS

Program models: *Draw the Line/Respect the Line; Making Proud Choices; Promoting Health Among Teens! Comprehensive Abstinence and Safer Sex Intervention*

\$1,499,999

⁴ Federal teen pregnancy prevention grants are listed as annual amounts, unless otherwise noted. State PREP, Tribal PREP, and Title V State Abstinence grant amounts, where applicable, reflect the most recent annual award.

The Delta Health Alliance, Inc.'s Delta Futures project is designed to assist public school districts and five local Rural Health Clinics across 10 rural counties in replicating evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs in school, clinic, and community settings. The goal of this initiative is to have the greatest impact on preventing teen pregnancy and reducing disparities in the Mississippi Delta by implementing evidence-based programs (EBPs) in communities with the greatest need, ensuring that EBPs selected are a good fit for those populations, and adopting strategies to implement the EBPs in a way that increases the programs' reach to as many youth as possible.

My Brother's Keeper

Ridgeland, MS

Project name: *REACH 2.0 CBA*

\$750,000

My Brother's Keeper, Inc. (MBK) intends to reduce the rates of teen pregnancy and other existing health disparities among youth age 11-19 in Central Southwest Mississippi River Region by building the capacity of youth-serving organizations to replicate evidence-based TPP programs to scale. In order to achieve this goal, MBK implements the REACH 2.0 CBA Project. REACH 2.0 focuses on improving the capacity of youth-serving organizations to replicate evidence-based TPP programs to scale in order to significantly reduce rates of teen pregnancy and other health disparities. The objective is to build the organizational and programmatic capacity of youth-serving organizations that have been identified as staples in the community to implement and evaluate teen pregnancy prevention programs specific to the culture and needs of the communities.

Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPPP) – Tier 1 FY 2010 – FY 2014

Southeast Mississippi Rural Health Initiative (SeMRHI) - Hattiesburg, MS

Program model: *Making a Difference!*

\$500,000

SeMRHI is delivering the *Making a Difference!* program to 2,500 youth ages 12-15 in the counties of Forrest and Lamar in several school districts and at faith and community-based organizations. The project will provide participants with the foundation they need to abstain from sex for a longer period of time, reduce their risk of STDs, and prevent pregnancy. SeMRHI is also providing health services including physical exams, birth control, STD testing and rapid HIV testing upon request.

Youth Opportunities Unlimited, Inc - Lambert, Mississippi

Program model: *ABAN AYA Youth Project*

\$1,014,493

Youth Opportunities Unlimited, Inc (YOU) proposes to replicate the *ABAN AYA Youth Project* as a model for their Delta DREEAM (DaRing to Excel through Education Advocacy and Modeling) program. Delta DREEAM will target 1,200 to 1,600 African American students, ages 9-14, living in extremely isolated and rural settings in Quitman County, Tallahatchie County, North Panola County, Tunica County and Coahoma County school districts. The overall goal of the Delta DREEAM Program is to provide an evidence-based sex education and prevention program to students so they will make healthy and safe choices to prevent unwanted teen pregnancies, HIV infections, and STDs. The project also includes an independently conducted rigorous evaluation.

CDC Grant

FY 2015 – FY 2019

Mississippi First, Inc. - Jackson, MS

\$614,600

The grantee will implement Focused Pregnancy Prevention for Mississippi Teens (Focus4Teens), which includes health center and youth-serving system partners in the Mississippi Delta region (Coahoma, Quitman, and Tunica counties). Partners include federally-qualified health centers and Title X clinics, as well as youth-serving system partners consisting of school districts, a mental health center, and community-based organizations. In this 5-year initiative, Focus4Teens will build the capacity of health center partners to provide youth-friendly sexual and reproductive health services and increase the number of young people accessing and receiving these services. Referral systems will be developed to link vulnerable youth to care and to increase awareness of health services in the community.

Pregnancy Assistance Fund

FY 2018

Mississippi Department of Health – Jackson, MS

\$970,000

FY 2015 – FY 2019

Mississippi State Department of Health – Jackson, MS

\$636,939

TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN MISSISSIPPI

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 47,650 women in Mississippi in 2014.⁵ These services helped women avoid 11,500 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 5,600 births and 4,100 abortions.
- In the absence of publicly-funded family planning services, the number of unintended pregnancies and abortions in Mississippi would be 41% higher.⁶
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in Mississippi saved \$78.1 million in public funds in 2010.
- From FY 2010 to FY 2017, the amount of federal funding Mississippi received for Title X decreased by \$958,838, resulting in 38,586 fewer (59%) patients served.
- In 2017, 125 clinics in Mississippi received support from Title X. They included health department clinics (97), federally qualified health centers (26), a university-based health center (1), and other service sites (1).

***About Power to Decide:** Power to Decide, the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy, works to ensure that every young person has the power to decide if, when, and under what circumstances to get pregnant and have a child—increasing their opportunity to pursue the future they want. Join us at PowerToDecide.org.*

⁵ “Title X-supported centers” are supported by a mix of funding sources (in addition to Title X funding) including Medicaid, funding from state and local governments, private grants and fundraising, reimbursement from commercial insurance, patient fees, and federal grants.

⁶ “Publicly-funded family planning services” refers to all public funding sources that support family planning services, including Medicaid, Title X, and other state and federal resources.